

MICHAEL F. EASLEY GOVERNOR

## CHILD SUPPORT AWARENESS MONTH

2007

## BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

## A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, children are dependent on financial aid from their parents, and North Carolina continues to improve its child support collection to ensure that is the case; and

WHEREAS, in 2007 almost 663 million dollars in child support was collected from parents of North Carolina children, a 5 percent increase over the previous year; and

WHEREAS, currently there are nearly 344,000 child support orders in place, working to ensure that more than 500,009 children receive financial support from their parents; and

WHEREAS, children who do not receive adequate financial and emotional support from their parents may experience greater difficulty in becoming healthy, happy and productive citizens; and

WHEREAS, many concerned and dedicated judges, district attorneys, clerks of court, sheriffs' personnel and child support enforcement professionals, work to establish and enforce child support for North Carolina's children, one of our state's most vital resources;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MICHAEL F. EASLEY, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim August 2007, as "CHILD SUPPORT AWARENESS MONTH" in North Carolina and commend this observance to our citizens.



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MICHAEL F. EASLEY

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this thirteenth day of August in the year of our Lord two thousand and seven, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirty-second.